

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1263

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Kenneth Howard Nave.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay special tribute to those laudable citizens who, through their resolute actions, unqualified dedication, and exemplary service, preserve the history of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Kenneth Howard Nave of Siam, who shares his stories of yesteryear in Carter County with audiences young and old alike; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Nave recently shared with the *Elizabethton Star* the tragic story of the Jenkins Mountain fire, in which four young men died while fighting flames on February 27, 1954; and

WHEREAS, the four Carter County residents included fifteen-year-old Robert Simerly and nineteen-year-olds Kenneth Pierce, Jerry Woods, and Herman Carden, Mr. Nave's nephew; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nave, who now lives with his wife at Sycamore Springs Assisted Living, has suggested that a local memorial be built honoring these four young men and their bravery and valor on that fateful day; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Nave epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Nave for his desire to preserve our State's history for future generations; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Kenneth Howard Nave for his efforts to honor the memories of those who perished in the Jenkins Mountain fire and extend to him our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.